

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—On what basis have the Government arrived at the decision to amalgamate the two Departments?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I believe, the Hon'ble Member is aware that the Government's scheme is to pay more attention to public health side, that is, preventive side, than to the curative side. With that motive, the Government have thought of amalgamating both the Departments.

Sri G. SIVAPPA.—May I know whether both the Departments will be amalgamated into one Department or only at one stage?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—The Hospitals under the Medical Department will be brought under the Public health side at a particular level, at taluk level in some cases.

Sri M. RAMAPPA.—May I take it that by this amalgamation, the Directors in the Health Department will have opportunities to go to Hospitals?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It may be the other way.

N. E. S. Block to Hadagalli Taluk.

*Q.—306. **Sri M. M. PATEEL** (Hadagalli).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) since when there has been a demand for allotment of a N.E.S. Block for Hadgalli Taluk, Bellary District;

(b) whether the Chief Minister had given an assurance that a N.E.S. Block would be allotted to the said Taluk by October of the financial year 1959-60;

(c) if so, whether such an assurance has been implemented;

(d) if not, the major obstacles in the way of implementing the above assurance?

A.—Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Deputy Minister for Planning and Development).—

(a) There have been representations from the public belonging to uncovered taluks, including Hadagalli taluk, for extending the CD Programme to their taluks.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The selection of taluks for allotment of blocks is made after keeping in view certain criteria prescribed for selection of taluks, the number of blocks allotted by the Government of India, and also the extent of the District covered already, etc.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—(a) ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ ಕಾಲಾವಧಿಯನ್ನೇ ನೋಟಿಸಿಲ್ಲ. ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣವೇನು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—ಮೊದಲನಿಂದಲೂ ಕೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಎಷ್ಟು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಕೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—N.E.S. ಸ್ಕ್ರೀಮು ಬಂದಾಗಿನಿಂದಲೂ ಕೂಡ N.E.S. ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಇರುವ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕುಗಳಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಕೇಳುತ್ತ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—(b) ನಲ್ಲ 'ಇಲ್ಲ' ಎಂದು ಉತ್ತರ ಬಂದಿದೆ. (c) ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟವಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾರ್ಯರೂಪಕ್ಕೆ ತರುವುದರಲ್ಲಿ ಇರುವ ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಆತಂಕಗಳು ಏನು ಎಂದು ಕೇಳಿದ್ದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದರೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯನ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದು ನಿಜವಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—N.E.S. ಬ್ಲಾಕ್‌ನ್ನು ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರೂ ಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಮುಂದಿನ ಸಲ ನೋಡೋಣ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಕೆಲವು ಬ್ಲಾಕ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಕೊಡುವಾಗ ಆಯಾ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಎಷ್ಟು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೇವೆ, ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಪ್ರಜಾ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಎನ್ಟರ್ನಲ್ ಇವುಗಳನ್ನು ನೋಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—(d) ನಲ್ಲ ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟವಾಗಿದೆ, ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯನ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದನ್ನು. ಕಾರ್ಯರೂಪದಲ್ಲಿ ತರಲು ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಆತಂಕಗಳು ಏನು ಇದೆ ಎಂದು ಕೇಳಿದ್ದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯನ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದು ನಿಜವಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—N.E.S. ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಇರುವವರು ಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಮುಂದಿನ ಸಲ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿ ನೋಡೋಣ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಕಡಮೆ ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಇವೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಪ್ರದೇಶಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೊಡಬೇಕು. ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿಯ ಪಾಪ್ಪರೇಷನ್ 71 ಪರ್ಸೆಂಟ್, ಏರಿಯ 72 ಪರ್ಸೆಂಟ್ ಕವರ್ ಆಗಿದೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೋಸ್ಕರ ಈ ಸಲ ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗಲಿಲ್ಲ.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—One of the principles of allotting new blocks is the question of contiguity. There is already a N.E.S. block adjacent to Hadagalli. So naturally you should have given one to Hadagalli.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೂಡ್ಲಿಗಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿಗೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ. ಇದರ ಪಕ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿ ನಂದೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಇದೆ. ಅಲ್ಲೂ ಕೂಡ ಕಂಟಿಗ್ಯುಯಿಟಿ ಇದೆ. ಅದುದರಿಂದ ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಹಡಗಲ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮೂರು ಮೈಲಿ ದೂರದಲ್ಲಿ N.E.S ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಇರುವುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—ಹೊಸಪೇಟೆ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಪಕ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿದೆ.

Supply of adequate medicines and drugs to Coorg.

*Q.—360. Sri K. P. KARUMBAYA (Virajpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether they have received any complaint regarding the inadequate supply of medicines and drugs to the Hospitals in Coorg, and if so, from whom ;

(b) whether appropriate arrangements have been made to supply in time adequate stocks of medicines to hospitals in Coorg ;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is undue delay for supply of medicines from Stores Department, Bangalore, to Hospitals in Coorg ;

(d) whether the Government will consider stocking the year's supply at Mercara under the direct charge of District Medical Officer to facilitate distribution to Coorg Hospitals as and when required ;

(e) what is the amount allotted to Coorg for the year 1959-60 towards supply of medicines and drugs?

A.—Sri K. K. HEGDE (Minister for Health).—

(a) Yes; from the Secretary, Coorg Voters' Association, Mercara, and from Sri K. Mallappa B.A., B.L., M.L.A.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

(d) No.

(e) Rs. 2 lakhs.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYA.—May I know whether the Government have enquired into the complaints and satisfied themselves that there has been inadequate supply of medicine and drugs to the Coorg Hospital?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—The Government have enquired into the complaints and come to the conclusion that there is

not much difficulty in getting medicines.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—With reference to answer (d), may I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that the former State of Coorg had a medical store at Mercara ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—The Government were not aware of the stores. But they have been making indents of medicines worth Rs. 10,000 per month privately apart from what they got from Madras.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—I want to know whether you are supplying medicines to those hospitals in such quantity as we were getting prior to the integration ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is too general a question.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Have they spent all the two lakhs of rupees allotted to Coorg for the supply of medicines and drugs ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It is not a question of spending the sum of Rs. 2 lakhs; it is a question of demand. When there was any demand, that has been met.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—What is the worth of medicines that are supplied to Coorg hospitals ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—All the indents have been complied with and medicines have been supplied. There are no further indents.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—What are the indents made ? What is their value ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I cannot assess the amount spent on that. There have been 23 indents up to 13-9-59. All were complied with. Later, 8 extra indents were made and they were also complied with. 8 indents have been sent to Madras from the Medical Stores and they all have been complied with.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that there is a special fund contributed by the plantation labour and that fund is intended for the purchase of drugs and stocking them at Mercara ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I am aware of it; but no decision has been taken as to the utilisation of the fund.